

Docket No.: 1460.1032

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re the Application of:

Takeshi ONO, et al.

Serial No. 10/036,538

Group Art Unit: 2613

Confirmation No. 4896

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Examiner: CURS, NATHAN M

For: W

WAVELENGTH MULTIPLEXING APPARATUS AND SIGNAL CONVERSION

APPARATUS

<u>AMENDMENT</u>

Commissioner for Patents PO Box 1450 Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Sir:

This is in response to the Office Action mailed July 13, 2006, and having a period for response set to expire on October 13, 2006. A Petition for a three-month extension of time, along with the requisite fee for same, is filed concurrently herewith, thereby extending the period for response to January 13, 2007, which (being a Saturday and Monday, January 15, 2007 being a holiday) renders this Amendment timely filed as of January 16, 2007. A Request for Continued Examination is filed concurrently herewith.

The following amendments and remarks are respectfully submitted. Reconsideration of the claims is respectfully requested.